

WILLIAM SULLIVAN HOUSE
(Swan Mansion No. 2)
Beacon Hill
15 Chestnut Street
Boston
Suffolk County
Massachusetts

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WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

FIELD RECORDS

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Location: 15 Chestnut Street, Boston, Suffolk County, Massachusetts. This house is part of the Beacon Hill National Historic Landmark District.

Significance: The architectural design for this house is generally attributed to Charles Bulfinch, and its construction date of 1805 makes it one of the earliest structures erected in the Beacon Hill neighborhood of Boston.¹

Notes from the field team indicate that in May to June of 1932 a Mr. Bellows owned the property and that he had replaced some features inside the house, such as a door or two. He also boarded up the house for the summer.

Materials: There are field measurements for No. 15 Chestnut Street that are dated May and June 1932.

¹ Massachusetts Cultural Resource Information System (MACRIS), Inventory No. BOS.15058.